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Applicant: Yasuhiro TANAKA

Serial No.: 09/931,685

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated February 11, 2003, or until June 11, 2003.

Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment form for \$110.00 to pay the one-month extension fee in accordance with Rule 1.17(a)(1).

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The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge any amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

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